

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

By the present amendment, claims 11 and 20 have been amended. Amended claims 11 and 20 are in better form for U.S. examination.

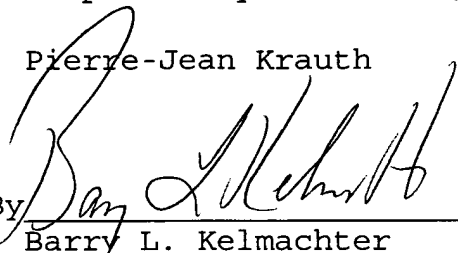
An early action on the merits is respectfully requested.

If any additional fees are required in connection with this case, it is respectfully requested that they be charged to Deposit Account No. 02-0184.

Respectfully submitted,

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